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FULTON

Serial No.: 10/628,090

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For: BIOPSY LOCALIZATION METHOD
AND DEVICE

Group Art Unit: 3736

Examiner: Szmal

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- ☐ However, if the undersigned is in error in this regard, Applicant respectfully requests that the Office consider this IDS as filed under 37 CFR § 1.97(c), if applicable, and charge the fee due under 37 CFR § 1.17(p) to the deposit account referenced below.
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- ☒ This IDS is being submitted under 37 CFR § 1.97(c), that is after mailing of a first Office action on the merits, but before a Final Action under 37 CFR § 1.113 or a Notice of Allowance under 37 CFR § 1.311.
 - ☒ The fee due under 37 CFR § 1.17(p) is submitted herewith.
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Some references are in a language other than the English language. A concise explanation of relevance is given below (English language abstracts).

DE 3913935

A catheter (1), for removing stones from the ureter, is made from flexible plastics with a retractable mandrel (6) which passes through the catheter from one end to the other. The distal end of the

mandrel (6) is attached to a short strip of net-like material (2). A fine wire (5) also passes through the catheter and its distal end is attached to a plastic tip (3) which fits over the pointed end of the net-like strip so that a loop is formed between the wire (5) and the net (2). By pulling on the mandrel (6) the net (5) can be retracted inside the catheter before the catheter is inserted into the ureter. USE - Removal of stones from the ureter.

DE 4330958

The invention relates to novel microparticles containing active compound, which, additionally to the active compound(s), contain at least one gas or gaseous phase, media (microparticulate systems) containing these particles, their use for the ultrasonically controlled in vivo release of active compound and process for the production of the particles and media.

DE 4403789

The invention relates to the use of coloured NMR, X-ray or possibly dye-containing ultrasonic-image-producing substances for marking bodily tissues.

DE 935625

This reference discloses a biopsy instrument and method for acquiring subcutaneous biopsies and for removing lesions.

FR 2714284

The prosthesis consists of a circular component made from a supple material with a shape memory effect, able to occupy three different positions. In the first position (2) it is extended lengthwise to form a small cylinder which can be introduced through a catheter, with its proximal end closed by a valve (4). In a second position the two compartments (8,10) are inflated separately so that they are deployed on opposite sides of the ruptured wall, while in the third position the compartments are squeezed together to form a double patch on the wall. The prosthesis has a radio-opaque marker (6) between the two compartments which allows its progress through the patient's body to be monitored.

PAYMENT AND/OR AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE FEES:

- ☐ A check in the amount of \$180.00 is enclosed for the above fee(s).
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The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees required by the filing of these papers, and to credit any overpayment to O'Melveny and Myers' Deposit Account No. **50-2862**.

Respectfully submitted,

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